THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. PRABHU): (a) to (c) Of the three gas-based fertilizer projects under implementation along the HBJ pipeline, the one at Vijaipur is under trial production while the other two at Aonla and Jagdishpur are expected to be commissioned according to schedule in April and July 1988 respectively. The projects at Sawai Madhopur and Babrala are behind schedule; the delay is mainly due to problems relating to acquisition of land and environmental clearance. The progress is reviewed periodically and the promoters advised to expedite implementation. The Letter of Intent for the Shahjahanpur project has sinced lapsed.

Technical Collaboration in Fertilizers Plants

2408. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the tecnical collaborations received in the recent past by the twenty-three Public Sector Units, 11 Private Sector Units and four Cooperative Sector Units manufacturing fertilizers;

(b) the names of the parties with whom the collaboration agreements had been signed and the terms of the agreements; and

(c) the capacity utilizations of the plants already in operation and the reasons for shortfall in productions if any?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. PRABHU): (a) and (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha. [*See* Appendix CXLV, Annexure No. 89].

(c) The Capacity utilisation of plants under operation during 1987-88 was as under:—

	Capacity utilisation during April, 87 to February, 1988
i Nitrogen	77.3 per cent
ii. Phasphate	66.8 per cent

Shortfall in production was mainly due to power cuts/restrictions, equipment breakdowns, shortage of inputs, shortage of water and labour problems.

Setting up of Fertilizer Plants by FACT Udyogamandal

2409. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the FACT Udyogamandal, Kerala has recently submitted a proposal to Government for setting up of a 900 tons per day capacity ammonia plant and 1100 tons per day capacity urea plant; and

(b) if so, the decision taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. PRABHU): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The proposal was received in February, 1988 and is being processed for a decision.

Memorandum from New Migrants Welfare Association, New Delhi

2410. SHRI SAWAN MUKHERJEE : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received a memorandum dated 10th November, 1987 from the New Migrants Welfare